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SUBJECT: Change to the Department of Defense Financial  
Management Regulation (DoDFMR), Volume 7 Part A, on  
Entitlement to Experimental Stress Duty (ESD) Pay,  
(DFAS Item No. F-40)

Attached is DFAS Interim Change Number 20-96 to the DoDFMR,  
Volume 7, Part A. This change is effective June 1, 1996.

This change is being made at the request of the Navy to  
eliminate confusion in the field over this entitlement, add new  
eligible NECs/NOBCs and further clarify the entitlement to ESD  
Pay.

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Attachment:  
As stated

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Under paragraph 20341b, delete subparagraph (3) in its entirety and add new subparagraphs (3) and (4) below. New text follows:

"(3) Low-Pressure Chamber Duty. Duty performed within a low-pressure (altitude) chamber at physiological facilities as human test subject, inside instructor-observer or inside observer-tender.

(4) High Pressure Chamber Duty.

(a) Duty performed within a high-pressure (hyperbaric or recompression) chamber or hyperbaric complex as a:

1. Human Test Subject for approved protocols applicable to the research, development, testing and evaluation of diving, hyperbaric and underwater related tools, systems, equipment and procedures.

2. Recompression Chamber/Hyperbaric Complex inside instructor-observer or inside observer-tender during the conduct of protocols involving the use of human test subjects.

3. Recompression Chamber/Hyperbaric Complex inside instructor-observer or inside observer-tender during the conduct of hyperbaric treatment or hyperbaric therapy procedures which include, but are not limited to, treatment of ailments incidental to diving and hyperbaric/hypobaric exposure.

(b) Navy personnel only. For a Navy member to qualify for this incentive pay as a human test subject, inside instructor-observer or inside observer-tender in a recompression chamber/hyperbaric complex, all of the following conditions must met. The member must:

1. Possess a NEC/NOBC listed below and be assigned by competent orders to a billet utilizing that NEC/NOBC:

## Enlisted:

	NEC
Saturation Diver . . . . .	5311
SEAL (Basic) . . . . .	5320
Swimmer Delivery Vehicle . . . . .	5323
SEAL . . . . .	5326
Basic Explosive Ordnance Disposal (EOD) Technician . . . . .	5332
Basic EOD Technician (Parachutist) . . . . .	5333
Senior EOD Technician . . . . .	5334
Senior EOD Technician (Parachutist) . . . . .	5335
Master EOD Technician . . . . .	5336
Master EOD Technician (Parachutist) . . . . .	5337
Master Diver . . . . .	5341
First Class Diver . . . . .	5342
Second Class Diver . . . . .	5343
Master Saturation Diver . . . . .	5346
Salvage/Construction Demolition Diver . . . . .	5375
Advanced Underwater Construction Technician . . . . .	5931
Basic Underwater Construction Technician . . . . .	5932
Special Amphibious Reconnaissance Independent Duty Corpsman . . . . .	8403
Fleet Marine Force Reconnaissance Corpsman . . . . .	8427
Special Operations Independent Duty Corpsman . . . . .	8491
Special Operations Technician . . . . .	8492
Medical Deep Sea Diving Technician . . . . .	8493
Medical Deep Sea Diving Technician . . . . .	8494

## Officer:

	NOBC
Undersea Medical (Diving) Officer . . . . .	0107
Medical Service Corps (Diving) Officer . . . . .	0107
EOD Officer . . . . .	9230
EOD Mobile Unit Officer . . . . .	9231
SEAL Officer . . . . .	9293
Diving Officer (General) . . . . .	9312
Diving Officer (He02) . . . . .	9313
Diving Officer (Salvage) . . . . .	9314
Diving Officer (Saturation) . . . . .	9315
Ship Salvage Diving Officer . . . . .	9375,
and;	

2. Be ordered to perform additional duty as a human test subject, inside instructor-observer or inside observer-tender as described in subparagraphs 4(a), (b) or (c) above by the Commanding Officer having cognizance over the recompression chamber or hyperbaric complex, and;

3. Either be instructing or operating Navy approved underwater breathing equipment, support systems, and recompression chambers; or observing the other individual(s) for symptoms of diving injuries/illnesses and providing appropriate treatment, as ordered by competent authority.

(c) The following types of similar duties do not entitle Navy personnel to hazardous duty incentive pay as recompression chamber/hyperbaric complex inside instructor-observers or inside observer-tenders:

1. Inside observer-tender and divers for surface decompression procedures incidental to the conduct of diving operations as this is considered a normal procedure related to the safe conduct of routine diving operations.

2. Either under instruction inside instructor-observer, inside observer-tender or trainees. This includes saturation diving procedures and hyperbaric medical related training which is considered a normal requirement to establish or maintain proficiency and/or qualifications.

3. Inside observer-tender or test candidates during conduct of pressure and/or oxygen tolerance tests.

4. Inside observer-tender, technicians or others involved in recompression chamber or hyperbaric complex preventive or corrective maintenance or during the use of a chamber or complex for the purpose of conducting preventive or corrective maintenance procedures.

5. Patients undergoing hyperbaric treatment or therapy."